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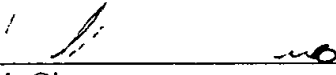
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1. I am a co-inventor of the above-referenced patent application Serial No. 10/086,181, filed February 26, 2002, and I am familiar with the contents thereof.
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